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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2001, please consider the following
amendments and remarks for the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please incorporate the following replacement paragraphs in the subject application
specification. The marked changes are shown on Appendix A, attached hereto.

Page 6, lines 5-20 through page 7, lines 1 and 2

In the present invention, an edge-to-edge topper pad 19 is provided in the configuration
of a thickness of foam that extends from an exterior edge 20 of side wall 22 to exterior edge 20
of second side wall 22, and from exterior edge 24 of upper wall 26 to exterior edge 28 of lower
wall 30, thereby covering fluid chambers 12 and 14. Topper pad 19 is preferably of a soft
cushioning foam that conforms to the user's body, e.g., a Q16 foam. Topper pad 19 may be of
any suitable thickness, e.g., 1.75 inches to 2.00 inches, and is maintained in position by a cover
32, having a top portion 34 and lower portion 36, that encases the components of sleep support

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